

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY

October 2012 – Week 4

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TITLE: WAYNE STORM

OCTOBER 1960 AND THE ALAMO GETS RAINED OUT.

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY, BROUGHT TO YOU BY THIS STATION AND THE SAVE TEXAS HISTORY PROGRAM OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

OCTOBER 24, 1960. SAN ANTONIO. YEARS IN THE MAKING, JOHN WAYNE'S EPIC FILM "THE ALAMO" IS SET TO PREMIERE TONIGHT ONLY BLOCKS FROM THE HISTORIC MISSION.

FOR TWO DAYS, THE DUKE HOSTED A TEXAS-SIZE PARTY FOR THE ALAMO CITY, INCLUDING A THIRTY-FOOT LONG ALAMO-SHAPED CAKE AND A SQUARE DANCE FOR 20,000.

TODAY, A HUGE PARADE IS PLANNED. BUT JUST BEFORE NOON, THE SKY OPENS AND A DOWNPOUR BEGINS. THE PARADE IS CANCELED – THE RAIN LASTS ALL DAY.

AT A SOGGY, STAR-PACKED PREMIERE AT THE WOODLAWN THEATRE, WAYNE'S CINEMATIC VISION OF THE ALAMO STORY IS REVEALED.

DESPITE ITS INACCURACY, JOHN WAYNE'S "ALAMO" BECOMES AN AMERICAN FILM CLASSIC LOVED BY GENERATIONS.

IN RAINED ON JOHN WAYNE'S ALAMO 52 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY.

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